

Biographical Sketch for Michael L. Tapper, MD

Dr. Michael Tapper is currently Director of the Division of Infectious Diseases and Hospital Epidemiologist at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York, as well as Clinical Professor of Medicine at the NYU School of Medicine. After graduation from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, Dr. Tapper completed residency training in internal medicine at Harlem Hospital Center in New York, and fellowship training in infectious diseases at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. Dr. Tapper is a fellow of the Infectious Diseases Society of America, the American College of Physicians, the Royal Society of Medicine and the New York Academy of Medicine. He served as President of the New York Society of Infectious Diseases in 1995-96.

Dr. Tapper was the President of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America in 2003. He has served as a liaison member of the CDC's Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) and the CDC's Advisory Council on the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET). He served as a consultant to the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Regulating Occupational Exposure to Tuberculosis in 2001. In addition to his work as a consultant to CDC, he is a member of the Weapons of Mass Destruction Advisory Group of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. He served in 2003 as a member of JCAHO's Infection Control Advisory Committee. He was also appointed as a member of the Steering Committee for the National Quality Forum's project on National Voluntary Consensus Standards for the Reporting of Healthcare-associated Infection Data. He has also served as a member of the Scientific Program Committee for the 2006 and 2007 "Seasonal and Pandemic Influenza" meetings.

A frequent lecturer at national and international meetings, Dr. Tapper is the author of over sixty abstracts and papers, and has had a special interest in occupational healthcare worker issues. Active in HIV education, Dr. Tapper has also been the co-moderator since 1995 of the audio update series *Changing Concepts in the Management of HIV Disease*.